GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEM IN RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the health delivery system undertaken in the rural areas has achieved the desired targets ;

(b) If not, the reasons therefor ;

(c) The estimated expenditure to be incurred on rural health delivery system during 2006-07 ;

(d) Whether the Government proposes to provide medical insurance to the people in the rural areas; and

(e) If so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 15 FOR 22ND NOVEMBER, 2006

(a)&(b): The National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) (2005-2012) launched on 12th April, 2005, with the aim to provide accessible, affordable and quality health care to the rural population, has been able to initiate the process of strengthening health care delivery system including Sub-centres (SCs), Primary Health Centes (PHCs) and Community Health Centres (CHCs) in the country along with provision of a link worker called Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) to act as the interface between the community and public health system. Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS)for SCs, PHCs and CHCs have been formulated . As on 5th October, 2006, 128939 ASHAs have been selected to work in the rural areas.

An amount of Rs. 19751.7 lakhs has been released at the rate of Rs.10,000/- as untied fund to Sub-centres for their local health needs in 2005-06 & 2006-07. 2239 PHCs out of total number of 23236 have been made functional on 24 x 7 basis during 2005-06.

AYUSH practitioners have been co-located in 2117 PHCs during 2005-06

For upgradation of CHCs to IPHS, total amount of funds released in 2005-06 and 2006-07 are Rs.39380.00 lakhs and Rs.32640.00 lakhs respectively. 1680 CHCs have been selected for upgradation to IPHS as on 5th October, 2006.

An amount of Rs. 11741.43 lakhs has been released for provision of Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) for outreach services, based on the proposals received from the State/UTs.

For constitution of Rogi Kalyan Samities (RKSs) in PHCs,CHCs, Sub-district/divisional and District Hospitals, as management structure to provide good quality care in the public health institutions with people`s participation, an amount of Rs. 588.00 lakhs has been released as seed fund to some States/UTs as per the registration details of RKSs received from them.

State/UT wise release for the year 2005-06 and 2006-07 are annexed at I & II respectively.

(c) The total outlay for the NRHM for the year 2006-07 is approximately Rs. 9065.00 crores . This include outlay under the Reproductive & Child Health Programme (RCH-II), National Disease Control Programme and Mainstreaming of AYUSH. Till now, an amount of Rs. 3280.00 crore has been released for NRHM activities during 2006-07.

(d) &(e) Yes, Sir. The NRHM Framework for Implementation,as approved by the Union Cabinet has provided for projects in Health Insurance for rural areas based on specific State/region/district models .